

<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/608,730	<b>Applicant(s)</b> CUMMING ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> Dennis H. Pedder	<b>Art Unit</b> 3612	

**All Participants:**

**Status of Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Dennis H. Pedder.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Mr. Rashid.

(4) \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date of Interview:** 7 March 2005

**Time:** 10:20am

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

**Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:** ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

*all of record*

Prior art documents discussed:

*references applied*

**Part II.**

**SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:**

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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(Examiner/SPE Signature)

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(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner suggested that applicant's arguments in the appeal brief were directed to the existence of a --butt joint-- between the two portions of distinct material. The claim language was suggested to be broader in scope and it was suggested that incorporation of the --butt joint-- limitation into the claims would define over the references applied. Mr. Rashid agreed to this change to be incorporated by examiner's amendment..